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14. [ ] Met with Senator Peter Dominick and said the Director had told me of his telephone call expressing the hope the Director could provide some information on long-term world developments that might affect U.S. manpower requirements. I pointed out the difficulties in providing a strictly intelligence response to such a question, noting that so much would have to depend on the U.S. reaction to enemy moves, U.S. strategic thinking, etc., none of which fell within our province. Dominick said he appreciated these difficulties, and then proceeded to list a number of other questions on which he said he hoped the Director might comment, including:

- a. Possibility that our vital sea lanes, such as the Panama Canal, Gibraltar and the Bering Sea might be closed by military or political developments;
- b. Prospects for China after Mao;
- c. Significance of Soviet-Japanese plan for joint development of Siberian resources;
- d. Possibility of mutually agreed force reductions in Europe and consequences of Soviet violation of a force reduction agreement;
- e. Possibility that Chile, supported by Bolivia and Peru, may disrupt the OAS; and
- f. Whether Agency agrees with Kissinger that every day of interdiction of trails in Laos would delay for another week enemy capabilities to mount a major offensive.